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METHODS OF TREATING OBESITY AND RELATED

DISORDERS USING TELLURIUM AND SELENIUM COMPOUNDS

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ELECTION

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed January 16, 2008, which response is being made on Monday, March 17, 2008, (March 16, 2008 having been a Sunday) and for which a one month extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect **Group I**, namely Claims 1-11, drawn to a method of treating obesity comprising administering a pharmaceutical composition.

With respect to the species requirements, Applicants select: AS101.

It is believed that all the claims are readable on the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group.

Respectfully submitted,

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